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HEREWITH TEXT OF FIRST SENEGALESE-IVORY COAST RESOLUTION
ON BLACK CULTURAL IDENTITY; BEGIN TEXT:

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION SUBMITTED BY SENEGAL, IVORY COAST.

ITEM 6 OF THE AGENDA

THE CONFERENCE,

CONSIDERING THE COMMON HISTORIC DESTINY AND THE CULTURAL
IDENTITY OF THE BLACK PEOPLES OF THE AFRICAN CONTINENT,
CONSIDERING THAT BEYOND THE SPECIFIC ETHNIC, LINGUISTIC AND
PHILOSOPHICAL CHARACTERISTICS PECULIAR TO EACH COUNTRY, THE
CULTURAL UNITY OF THESE PEOPLES IS A REALITY OF CONTEMPORARY
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CONSIDERING THAT THE SUM TOTAL OF THE CULTURAL VALUES COMMON

TO THE BLACK PEOPLES IS THE SUREST FOUNDATION FOR THEIR UNITY
AND SOLIDARITY IN THE CONTINUING STRUGGLE AGAINST POLITICAL
AND ECONOMIC IMPERIALISM, RACISM AND APARTHEID,

CONSIDERING THAT THE ASSERTION OF THE CULTURAL IDENTITY OF THE
BLACK PEOPLES OF AFRICA AND THE SAFEGUARDING OF THEIR COMMON
HERITAGE ARE A FUNDAMENTAL REQUIREMENT FOR THEIR DIGNITY AND
THEIR DEVELOPMENT,

CONVINCED THAT IT IS A VITAL NECESSITY FOR THE BLACK PEOPLES OF
THE AFRICAN CONTINENT TO TRANSCEND THE IDEOLOGICAL DIVIDING-LINES
AND THE FRONTIERS INHERITED FROM THE COLONIAL PERIOD, AS A
PRELUDE TO THE CONTINENT -WIDE ORGANIZATION OF THEIR UNITY AND
SOLIDARITY,

CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT THE BLACK COMMUNITIES SCATTERED
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD ALL CLAIM KINSHIP WITH THE SAME
CULTURAL BACKGROUND TO WHICH THEY ARE LINKED BY VITURE
OF THE VALUES OF CIVILIZATION WHICH THEY HAVE IN COMMON,

CONSIDERING THAT THESE BLACK COMMUNITIES MUST NEEDS
TAKE PART IN THE STRUGGLE FOR THE ASSERTION OF THE CULTURAL IDENTITY
OF THE BLACK WORLD,

CONSIDERING FINALLY THAT THE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITY AND
SOLIDARITY OF THE BLACK PEOPLES OF THE AFRICAN CONTINENT AND THE
ASSERTION OF THE CULTURAL IDENTITY OF THE BLACK WORLD CON-
STITUTE THE ESSENTIAL BASIS OF THE STRUGGLE TO INSTITUTE A NEW
WORLD ORDER, INVITES THE MEMBER STATES CONCERNED:

TO ORGANIZE CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA ON THE CULTURAL
IDENTITY OF THE BLACK PEOPLES OF THE CONTINENT AND
ON THE CIVILIZATIONS OF THE BLACK WORLD, TAKING INTO
ACCOUNT THE CONCLUSIONS OF THIS CONFERENCE:

INVITES UNESCO:

TO LEND ITS SUPPORT TO THE FULFILLMENT OF THESE PROJECTS.

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